

Dear FCC:

As a private citizen, I wish to make the following comment concerning you review of media cross-over ownership of print and airwaves outlets.

The press is the Fourth Estate in our three estate democratic form of governance. The citizens of this democracy depend on being able to read, hear and see different points of presentation and points of view in our responsibility to exercise our citizenship in the most informed and responsible manner.

Airways media is fundamentally different from print media where nobody owns the paper and ink that newspapers are printed on. In contrast, the public owns the airways and therefore has a reasonable presumption of assuring that all points of view and presentation may be exercised and found on the spectrum of airways: both radio and television.

While no monopoly or oligopoly regulations need be applied to print media, anti-monopoly and oligopoly safeguards are needed for assuring that the publically-owned airwaves allow the full range of presentation and opinion that the public interest requires. Therefore, within the same market, cross-over ownership of both print and airways outlets by one entity (or its subsidiaries) must not be allowed. Also, within a single market, ownership of all the radio stations or all the TV broadcast stations by a single entity must not be allowed. Our public interest, the independence of the Fourth Estate and our democracy demands it. Thank you.